

Volume 17

FEBRUARY

Number 2

The Occult Digest

Dedicated to the laws of higher Mind-Soul expansion

MARIE HARLOWE, Editor

FRONT PAGE EDITORIAL

Man may always be the master of his fate, the final power in any circumstance.

A student who came to study with us from Central Europe once told of his experiences in the last World War. Although for years constantly in the firing line, he remained unhurt. He explained it thus: 'Man is always his own master. A gun was placed in my hand, but I did not have to use it to kill anyone. I did not shoot at anyone, and no one shot at me!'

20¢ per copy - \$2.00 per year

The Occult Digest

Established 1925 by Effa E. Danelson
Merged 1939 with The Telepathic Magazine

Entered as Second Class Matter November 21, 1939, at the
Post Office at Chicago, Ill., under the act of March 3, 1879.

Published Monthly by

THE MAHA PUBLISHING COMPANY,
833 East 89th Place, Chicago, Ill.

Copyright 1941 by Marie Harlowe.

Subscription Rates: \$2.00 per year, \$2.50 foreign.

(We cannot accept subscriptions from the British Empire,
which has banned our magazine).

20c single copy. Life subscription \$100.00. Any amount
included over the subscription price received will be
put into our Free Literature Fund. 3 years to same sub-
scriber for \$5.00.

Liberal commission to subscription solicitors.

Occult articles and mystical-scientific poetry solicited.
Payment in subscriptions only, except by special
arrangement.

Advertising Rates: \$3.50 per inch, \$50.00 per page;
cover pages upon request. Classified, 7c per word.

(Please do not send personal checks)

THE OCCULT DIGEST,
833 East 89th Place, Chicago, Ill.

I inclose _____ for _____ years subscription

I inclose _____ donation for library subscriptions
and free literature fund.

I inclose _____ for subscriptions for friends, names
given on separate paper.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

The Occult Digest

EDITORIAL:

Even an Editor rates a laugh now and then, and are we laughing at all the people who consider our magazine too small and inconsequential for their notice! For the British Government not only has noticed us, but considers us a menace, and we are henceforth prohibited from sending our magazine to their subjects.

But why should anyone belittle our small efforts? Has not the world 'een changed in past history by little individuals such as a Tent-Maker, a Camel-Driver, a Carpenter?

We shall gird up our editorial loins to fight more to keep America from being entangled with any foreign power, England included, who prohibits free speech and jails its peace-makers.

Incidentally, what assurance have we, if we go to the aid of the British, if we can't carry through as they wish that they will not turn on us as they already have on their ally, the French. Winston Churchill said in 1936 to William Griffin of the New York Inquirer, "Legally we owe this debt to the United States, but logically we don't, and this because America should have minded her own business and stayed out of the World War. If she had done so, the Allies would have made peace with Germany in the Spring of 1917, thus saving over a million British, French, American and other lives and preventing the subsequent rise of Fascism and Nazism."

Wonders will never cease, even in our little world! Several of our friends are now buying quantities of our booklet "The End of the Jewish Race", with a view to boot-legging them should pressure now being brought by Jewish groups on the Dies Committee to go after all anti-semitic literature--this in the land of Free Speech--succeed! We do not consider this booklet anti-semitic, for what happens to one crystallized group happens to all such, but doubtless others might think differently.

Many people at first disagree with and dislike our plain speaking of the Truth, because most people are so crystallized

in their thinking processes that they cannot take into consciousness a new thought force. Our editorial statement in the October, 1940, issue illustrates this well. We there declared that Roosevelt and Willkie were so similar and so in accord, as revealed by their horoscopes, that we thought the Socialists were right in contending the election was a "put-up job". The idea was so new to so many, unaccustomed to new ideas, that we were soundly scolded in many quarters. Now after the shadow-boxing of the campaign is over, Willkie has become Roosevelt's "No. 1 yes-man", his errand-boy to England to further involve us in war. We hope the next time a new idea is presented, however revolutionary, that our readers will at least not reject it outright. We live in a new age, and everything is going to be different. We constantly affirm that a Testing Time is coming to this country in the next few years, a part of a World Change, which is to break down old obsolete forms of life that a New Age may become an actuality. But we constantly affirm that these spiritual students who are now conditioning their minds to the acceptance of the new, will not have to go through the distress which accompanies a Testing Time, for those who are unprepared. A good many people look forward to the New Dispensation as a time in which they will hold onto the Old and yet embrace all of the New; that is impossible. It seems downright silly to hold that because we have done thus and so in the past, we must continue to do so. We once needed diapers, but have progressed beyond their necessity now. Let the Old give Way to the New!

We recently heard the most stupid remark we can recall. A woman who had experienced Inflation in Germany, where she exchanged her mother's 3,000 mark earrings for a 5¢ cake of soap, said, "With Inflation coming in this country, one wonders what to do with one's money." Sister, if we had any we wouldn't wonder what to do with it! We would begin immediately to build up for ourselves a good Karma by supporting the spiritual institutions and individual teachers who are struggling to prepare individuals for the coming Testing Time. In the degree that the individual now aids the Spiritual Cause, in that degree will he escape the distress ahead. Occultly, we know that once we have learned a lesson,

the same experience is never presented again. Obviously this student did not learn from her first experience of Inflation and must now go through the same lesson over again.

Marcus Aurelius said that every man ought to wash his own shirt, especially the philosopher. In running off the January issue our regular printer-helper was unexpectedly called away, and Mr. A.A. Voyz, a writer and not a printer, came to the assistance of the Editor and the issue was completed. Mr. Voyz readily agrees with the Editor that each reader ought to help in getting out one issue, just to see how many troubles there can be with one small electric press and a little type.

Our present improvement in paper and type is largely due to our advertisers, who more than any other group, are helpful. In fact, we could not "keep house" without the J. M. Simmons Company, who loan us paper cutters and are generally an aid. We urge you to patronize our advertisers--write today and inquire about their offers; in this way we will indeed be a co-operative group.

Don't take in rumours!

COMING:

March

Rebirth: A Psychological Process - Marie Harlowe

The Fourth Dimension - A. A. Voyz

Mark Twain's Psychic Experiences - Pearl M. Holmes

Maltese Interlude - Juanita de Arana

April

Dangers of Oriental Breathing Exercises for Western Vehicles
- Marie Harlowe

Hypnotic Phases of Spiritualism - Adolph B. Krafft

Planets in Houses - A. A. Voyz

May -- our annual Buddhism Number

(We are soon to have a series of articles by Henry Wolske on Diet and Breath.)

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SOCIALISM, FASCISM AND COMMUNISM

Marie Harlowe

(Delivered in a lecture the day before the Nazi-Communist
pact was announced)

*'The old order changeth, giving place to new
And God fulfills Himself in many ways.'*

We do not realize the grandeur of the fact that we are "victims of circumstance". Fortunately we are coming more and more, if slowly, to the truth that back of the seeming chaos of the world exists a Divine Plan for the Universe, which works its way out in devious ways.

*'God moves in mysterious ways,
His wonders to perform,'*

through various forms and experiences, and thru the channel of diversified human personalities. The knowledge that God is working in man, in all men, "to will and to do", gives life a new sacredness, a new meaning, a new significance. And this knowledge of the Divine Plan, motivating *all* life to progression, gives the (occult) student a greater understanding of people as he sees them as but parts of the great whole, or Plan. To this end, we cannot then allow mind-life energy to be wasted in "taking sides" with any world contenders, but view both sides impersonally, seeing the reason for the contention back of it all.

A study of the ever-increasing synthesis of Eastern and Western philosophies and cultures gives the occult student a clue to the great urge of Russia towards China and the East. In it the more thoughtful student can see more than the personal whims of a dictator, more than the desire of a conquest by a nation; in it he can see the more basic urge towards an amalgamation of all people--the cosmic urge in this cycle is towards the unifying of all peoples--working out in but one of its phases, the synthesis of East and West, working out first with Russia because of her proximity to the East, and because of her previous development along Eastern lines of thought.

We should train ourselves to look for the Divine Energy motivating every world event. The present forms of world agitation of Socialism, Fascism and Communism, must be so examined. We shall not doubt that the Divine Mind is the force back of the forms, for even a superficial consideration of Socialism, the basis of both Fascism and Communism, is purely religious.

All religions and philosophies admit that world unity and universal brotherhood is now the next great step in evolution. It is obviously based upon a communal sharing of some sort, the very basis of Socialism (and because of this force, the reason for the *form* of Socialism, so manifesting). The approaching new Jupiterean age is one of brotherhood, and it is interesting to note, in passing, that the first disciples of Jesus lived together with all things held in common.

Let us first study these expressions--Communism and Fascism, and their back-ground, the soil from which they sprung, so to speak; the seeds of dissention and disintegration planted, and not forgetting the important factor of the planters of those seeds.

Russia occupies a peculiar position between the Mongol East and the Germanic West, and would probably have been the last country imagined by Karl Marx to have used his theories, for his vision definitely applied to highly industrialized countries and not to such a one as Russia. Russia, 'Eurasia', is an amalgamation of semi-Asiatic races which had begun to adopt Western methods under Peter, the Great. Predominantly an agricultural country, with 80% of its population uneducated peasants, the process of its being industrialized which preceded the Revolution, had created a certain economic dislocation. Religion had crystallized into a formalism on the one hand, and a negative mysticism on the other, and darkness and chaos prevailed generally.

Three men were the outstanding factors in the Russian Communist Revolution--Lenin, Trotsky and Stalin, and they present the common experience of a Founder and his two chief disciples who eventually war with each other, one typifying the positive, one the negative aspect-- the 'Paul vs. Peter' struggle.

By a clearness of vision, an intensity of purpose, backed by a great daring, Lenin, though hated as well as worshipped

by millions, transformed a great part of the world. His hatred of autocracy had been strengthened by the execution of his brother for his part in a plot to assassinate the Czar. He was, surprisingly to many, a passionate optimist in his absolute belief in the ultimate progress of humanity. He felt that man could create an ideal world by controlling the forces operating in life and history. Though he worked with fanatic intensity at the Revolution, it was more in the realm of ideas and their power than in any outer way. Of the conversion of the capitalist state into a communist one, he said that it must be done 'with ideas, not with armies, that we shall conquer the world.'

Lenin, the dictator power in a party which ruled with the fanatic compulsion of a religion, was a passionate atheist, believing that belief in after-worlds tends to distract people from their responsibilities in the present life, and yet he was an intensely religious man, and became a literal idol as real as any religious idol.

For that matter, as Communism is associated with an ideal of life, it is itself religious and easily becomes a substitute for other forms of religion. Karl Marx, though he was a Jewish materialist, was deeply religious in the real sense of religion. His message in *Das Kapital* dealt with the fact that the modern world is too engrossed in 'things', a purely spiritual perception. If the Bolshevik Government has been antagonistic to standard religions, it is likely, -psychologically, to be a *competitor* of organized religion. Its religion is very similar to that aggressiveness of the Jesuit order; and the religion of materialism can be as fanatic as any other.

By type, Trotsky is a centrifugal force whose individual influence spreads out through many countries. On the other hand, Stalin is a centripetal force with a centralizing power. Trotsky, was the intellectual, alien to the uneducated masses, but the native coarseness of Stalin and his knowledge of men's greed and desire for power and security came from his being at one with them in their development and wishes.

Italy had a history of centuries of struggles between its states and territories, between the Emperor and the Pope, when Fascism came to power. A sense of national frustration and fear existed after the disappointment of the Peace Treaties. The generals D'Annunzio and Garibaldi, were offered the lead-

ership of the chaotic country, which they refused.

Mussolini's grandfather was a revolutionist and his father a Marxist atheist, his mother a devout Catholic. He was extremely poor. Like Hitler, Mussolini is connected with Occultism--Mussolini being reported a member of a Theosophical Society in Switzerland. With no great orthodox faith himself, Mussolini nevertheless recognizes the need of other men for faith, especially the Italians.

Disappointment in the Peace Treaties, heavy burdens of reparations, inflation, coupled with Germany's geographical position, presented a chaotic condition to Hitler and the National Socialists who were but a minority party when Hitler was made Chancellor.

Hitler can hardly be the neurotic "little man" sometimes described, for Germany wanted power and national pride, and almost single handed, he has produced them. He is definitely known to be interested in Astrology and the Occult (as was also Bismarck, in whose steps he follows in uniting Europe towards the East). His national health program is consequently more successful as it works in subconscious realms as well.

It is an obvious psychological fact that there cannot be an oppressor unless the oppressed permit it to be so. No man can enslave himself except himself. What then of those who *permit* the dictators? What compensates for their sacrifices in which the good of the state is put before that of the individual? What psychological state of chaos of which Spain and its Civil War has been a symbol, prevails?

Machines have transformed man's physical and social outlook on the one hand, and on the other, have robbed life of its glamor and adventure. All Truth is paradoxical, and on the one hand, man is still much of a slave, and on the other, as man attains increasingly to mastery, to individual freedom, he recalls (psychologically) his aloneness, and grows fearful. The 19th Century developed individualism--Ouspensky declares that self-consciousness must first be developed before cosmic consciousness is possible--but the keynote of the 20th Century, closely approaching as it is, the coming new age of unity and universal brotherhood, is collectivism, unity, amalgamation. The great cohesive power which is producing this unity has throughout the ages impelled the collective urge of many peoples to break down national and racial barriers and

today is a reaction from these embryo masters who are not yet fully conscious of their own powers.

The opposing philosophies of Fascism and Communism, and their corner-stone, Socialism, are merely polarized manifestations of the same force, which is nothing less than the idealism and emotional enthusiasm of the coming new age, and the forces necessary to disintegrate the old crystallized forms of life no longer useful.

BOAST OF A SEA CLIFF

Grace Stillman Minck

*I am a constant one;
A steadfast bulwark....I,
Whose search of centuries has gleaned,
From earth and sea and sky,
One wisdom: Time is measureless
And none survive but I.*

I have known the rush of a thousand winds,
As they clutched at my steadiness;
Have heard the beating waves rescind
From my feet (whose readiness
To follow after I have quelled....
For no gypsy vagrancy
Shall boast of a lure whose whisper felled
The constancy of me.)
I have seen and heard, in their aimless stride,
Decades I may not name;
Whose passing hours all worths deride,
Through years--a weary same;
And I shall view their futile flights
Forever and again,
To marvel how vast days and nights
Of time, by living men,
Might measure thorough emptiness....
Borne to time's storehouse vacuus.

*I am the constant one;
Man's wisdom I defy.
Time is a cycle measureless
And none survive but I.*

BIBLICAL TELEPATHY

Borny Helmos Reddy

(All rights reserved by author)

That it is possible for one person to receive messages from another person through the medium of thoughts radiated from the brain has long been known, but it is only within a comparatively short time that this accomplishment has been recognized as a fact by the scientific world. Until recently the general attitude towards the subject has been that it was merely hallucination and not worthy of investigation. However, a multitude of well authenticated instances have virtually forced attention upon this highly interesting subject.

This method of communication from the mind of one person to the mind of another is known as Telepathy, or thought-transference; commonly called mind-reading.

Many instances of the exercise of this faculty of the human mind are recorded in the Bible.

Our first reference (2 Kings 6:12) tells us that, "Elisha, the prophet that is in Israel, telleth the king the words that thou speakest in thy bedchamber." It is apparent to all that Elisha did not hear the words of the king of Syria with his physical ear, but instead psychically "heard" thoughts causing words of the king. We next read (Job 21:27) that Job said: "Behold, I know your thoughts, and the devices which ye wrongfully imagine against me."

Once again we read a warning (Ecc. 10:20) to "Curse not the king, no not in thy thought: and curse not the rich in thy bedchamber; for a bird of the air shall carry the voice, and that which hath wings shall tell the matter." It may well be that the writer of this passage did not understand the *modus operandi* of this phenomenon and could not conceive of anything except a bird on the wing to carry the thoughts; somewhat, perhaps, in the manner of a carrier pigeon.

The greatest Biblical prophet, Isaiah, testifies (Isa. 66:18) that "I know their works and their thoughts." Ezekiel, another of the great old-time prophets (Ezek. 11:5) says, "...for I know the things that come into your mind, every one of them." Thus

the prophets of Biblical days plainly demonstrated the telepathic faculties of their psychic minds.

When Jesus healed the man sick of the palsy (Matt. 9:3-4) "certain scribes said within themselves, This man blasphemeth. And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, Wherefore think ye evil in your thoughts? For whether it is easier to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and walk?" Some time later (Matt. 12:10-15) Jesus healed "a man which had his hand withered... Then the Pharisees went out and held a council against him, how they might destroy him. But when Jesus knew it, he withdrew himself from thence." Later, "Then was brought unto him one possessed with a devil, blind and dumb: and he healed him inasmuch that the blind and dumb both spake and saw) And all the people were amazed and said, Is not this the son of David? But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, This fellow doth cast out devils, but by Beelzebub the prince of devils. And Jesus knew their thoughts." (Matt. 12:22-28)

In the next citation (Mark 5:25-34) we read about "...a certain woman... had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather worse, When she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind, and touched his garment. For she said, If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole. And straightway... she was healed of that plague. And Jesus, immediately knowing in himself that virtue had gone out of him, turned him about in the press, and said, Who touched my clothes?" Here Jesus demonstrated his sensitiveness to a touch of his garments; a variation of the faculty of reading the thoughts of others. Today many psychics are able to detect when some of their personal possessions have been touched or handled by others in their absence.

Further we read (Mark 8:14-21) where "...the disciples had forgotten to take bread, neither had they in the ship with them more than one loaf. And he charged them saying, Take heed, beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, and of the leaven of Herod. And they reasoned among themselves, saying, It is because we have no bread. And when Jesus knew it, he saith unto them, Why reason ye, because ye have no bread? perceive ye not yet, neither understand "Once again Jesus demonstrated that he could read their thoughts. Not only that, but the Master chided his disciples for not doing likewise, after being

so long a time under his instruction. The word here rendered into "perceive" is derived from *noeo* (Greek) meaning *to observe with the mind*, which, in this case, may be construed as *mind-reading*.

Our next quotation (Luke 5:21-22) reads as follows: "And the scribes and Pharisees began to reason, saying, Who is this which speaketh blasphemies? Who can forgive sins, but God alone? But when Jesus perceived their thoughts, he answering said unto them, What reason ye in your hearts?" The word here rendered into "perceived" is derived from *epiginosko* (Greek), and means *to know about, fully*; implying *without recourse to the physical senses*.

The sixth chapter of John is highly interesting as it clearly shows the manner in which Jesus successfully met the adverse and difficult conditions surrounding him. For "...as he taught in Capernaum, many therefore of his disciples, when they heard this, said, This is an hard saying: who can hear it? When Jesus knew in himself that his disciples murmured at it, he said unto them, Doth this offend you?...There are some of you that believe not. For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were that believed not, and who should betray him". (John 6:59-64)

In Luke 6:41 and 20:23 are found the words "perceivest" and "perceived", rendered thus from *katanoeo* (Greek), which means *to observe thoroughly with the mind*. Obviously it has no reference to "seeing" thru the physical eyesight, but rather strongly suggests psychical understanding.

The above passages cited from the Bible may be considered as conclusive testimony that Jesus as well as other old-time prophets possessed and used the telepathic faculty of their minds.

Many modern manifestations similar to those accredited to Jesus and others in ancient Biblical times could be described. Telepathy--instead of being something to be considered as merely in the abstract--will, in time come into its own and be recognized as of definite value in conveying information for business and all other uses. Instead of telephones, telepathy will be in common use. All this and more may not be so visionary or so far in the future as some might think.

'COURAGE IS LIBERTY'

Edmund K. Goldsborough

It has been said of Robert Ingersoll that he did more to extinguish the fires of hell, kindled by ignorant theologians, than perhaps any one else. This just and tolerant thinker was utterly unable to reconcile the hideous theory of everlasting torment with a beneficent creator and believed that the Church should be shorn of its superstition. Ingersoll said that 'fear was the dungeon of the mind', and realized that in breaking the shackles of superstition, imprisoned thought would be liberated.

Ingersoll was forever groping and growing, forever seeking a solution to life and its intricate meanings. He was not an athiest but held the opinion that primitive, puerile religious conceptions should be relegated to mental oblivion. He did much to exterminate them. 'The universe', he said, 'is governed by law'.

It is related that just before Ingersoll's beloved brother passed away, he whispered, 'I am better now', which statement brought from Robert the famous and beautiful saying, 'At the night of death hope sees a star and listening love can hear the rustle of a wing.' Referring to this same gentle brother, Ingersoll said, 'He believed that happiness was the only good, reason the only torch, justice the only worshipper, humanity the only religion and love the only priest.'

Ingersoll, in assailing the hideous idea of eternal punishment said, at the grave of a little boy, 'No man standing where the horizon of a life has touched a grave has any right to prophecy a future filled with pain.' Again he said, 'To the greatest, to the most successful, there comes a time when the fevered lips of life long for the cool, delicious kiss of death, when tired of the dust and glare of day they hear with joy the rustling garment of the night.'

Ingersoll's enemies, which were many, sought to crucify him and he was bitterly assailed by pulpit and press. He would have indeed met the fate of a Bruno or a Polycarp if he had lived in the earlier centuries. Nevertheless, Ingersoll was a great humanitarian and was forever interceding for

the under-privileged and underfed. He said, "I plead for light, for air, for opportunity, for individual independence. I plead for the rights of labor and of thought. I plead for a chainless future. Let the ghosts go--justice remains..... Humanity is the sky and dogmas and creeds and theories are but the mists and clouds continually changing, destined to melt away."

Ingersoll laid great stress upon freedom of thought and like Voltaire, recognized the fact that growth is attained when minds are liberated and intolerance routed.

That Ingersoll was held in high esteem by thinking men and women cannot be questioned. "My reverence for him was deep and genuine," wrote Mark Twain, shortly after the passing of the great Iconoclast. "How proud America should be of him," Walt Whitman was once reported to have said. George Brandes, the Danish critic, remarked "In his mind common sense rose to genius." And Henry Ward Beecher wrote, "I consider him one of the greatest men of the age." John Burroughs, the naturalist, once in a letter to Ingersoll, said, "To such as you I would send perpetual gifts of fruit and flowers." Luther Burbank, the famous botanist, said, "His life and work have been an inspiration to the whole earth, shedding light in the dark places which so sadly needed light."

It is said that the poet Swinburne once wrote that it was his greatest regret that he had never met Ingersoll, "The man above whom all others I should have met and wished to meet." And a more modern writer recently said of Robert Ingersoll, "History has given him a place among the defenders of Reason and Truth."

QUOTATIONS OF INGERSOLL

Religion has not civilized man--man has civilized religion.
God improves as man advances.

The Sciences are not sectarian. People do not persecute each other on account of disagreements in mathematics. Families are not divided about botany and astronomy does not even tend to make a man hate his father or his mother. It is what people do not know, that they persecute each other about.

Let us forget that we are Baptists, Methodists, Catholics, Presbyterians or Freethinkers, and remember only that we are men and women. After all, man and woman are the highest possible titles. All other names belittle us, and show that we have consented to wear the color of authority--that we are followers.

Give me the storm and tempest of thought and action, rather than the dead calm of ignorance and faith.

My creed is to love justice, to long for the right, to love mercy, to pity the suffering, to assist the weak, to forget wrongs and remember benefits--to love the truth, to be sincere, to utter honest words, to love liberty, to wage relentless war against slavery in all its forms, to love wife and child and friend, to make a happy home, to love the beautiful in art, in Nature, to cultivate the mind, to be familiar with the mighty thoughts that genius has expressed, the noble deeds of all the world, to cultivate courage and cheerfulness, to make others happy, to fill life with the splendor of generous acts, the warmth of loving words, to discard error, to destroy prejudice, to receive new truths with gladness, to cultivate hope, to see the calm beyond the storm, the dawn before the night, to do the best that can be done and then--to be resigned.

ECLIPSE
Lillian Savoie Hahn

Acrost the radiant sun, defacing it,
Earth's shadow, like a tortoise, slowly creeps.
For one brief hour the shining Gods submit,

The Light is blotted out...Creation sleeps,
And Life, suspended and unreal, awaits
The rendezvous with darkness which it keeps.

The mask of shadow passes...gloom abates,
The veil is rended, and the spheres in choir
Make music, while the great orb radiates,
And stars who follow after whirl in fire.

THE TRANSMUTATIONS OF CONSCIOUSNESS

A. A. Voyz

Continued from January

Just as mankind can be divided into three groups each possessing a certain degree or level of development of consciousness, so the life of an individual may present itself as divided into three parts or stages. Childhood is the period of Simple-over-Self Consciousness. Youth is the period of Simple-versus-Self Consciousness, and finally Maturity is the period that sees the full blossoming of the Mind, Ego I, Self, Soul, Will, etc., -the Self-over-Simple Conscious stage. In other words, the fully matured self-conscious man during his life recapitulates the stages of development passed through by mankind.

In the period of childhood appeals to reason are premature. The child, like mankind in Group I, does not possess a sufficiently developed sense of the ability to control his body to make appeals to that ability effective.

The Simple-over-Self consciousness possessed by children and Group I is primarily concerned with Things. They want to touch things that they see. The child cries for the moon and the masses envy the possessions of their neighbors. Upon this fact rests the effective control of the masses by the classes with "bread and circuses." The child likewise responds to "bribery". These are the individuals who may be said to "have a price" and who invariably believe that all men can be purchased. Make the promised reward for action or non-action attractive enough and there is hardly anything they will not do, or attempt to do.

Group I and children have a respect for "might". Like animals they can be coerced by a display of force. They instinctively interpret signs of anger or disapproval and react accordingly. In the same way they sense fear, with the result that when they feel themselves the stronger their fury knows no bounds. The complacency of the masses in bowing to the will of dictators can in part be understood in this light. Also

the savage destruction of the overlord who shows signs of weakness.

The dominance of fear in the lives of children and Group I must not be overlooked. It too is a vital factor in controlling their responses. Fear is used every day directly or indirectly by those in authority to curb the natural instinctive activity of their subjects. In fact, it is doubtful if man would have developed his awareness of self if the element of fear had not been as potent as it was. It must not be forgotten that the early religions were based on the assumption of the existence of powerful gods. Gods of vengeance. Gods demanding under the pain of extinction, sacrifices and obedience. Man's early gods (substitute priests) relied on fear. Only later was a god of love possible as a subject of mass worship.

When the individual passes from childhood to youth the nature of his consciousness indicates the passage of the Simple versus-Self conscious stage, with all its attendant conflicts. It is in this period that the desires of the self are opposed to the urges of the body, the result being sometimes the victory of the self; other times, and in the early years the oftener, the victory of the body.

Youth, like Group II, sees life as a contest between opposing factors, thus the importance to them of the questions of Matter versus Mind, Might versus Right, Evil versus Good, etc. This viewing of life as a tournament of antagonistic elements gives rise to Morality--the evaluation of the Not-I of experience as good or bad. The emergence of the ethical approach to life is one of the major results of the acquisition of the ability to reason--to put two and two together. The criterion, the measure, of good or bad is at first made with regard to the physical organism. What hurts the body is bad, what aids the body is good. It is in this period that the conscious recognition of the motivation by pleasure and pain occurs. In controlling youth and Group II the controller must rely on reason. He must cite reasons why this or that response should be made to a given situation. And what is of equal importance the reasons must have an idealistic or moral basis. Mere reasons divorced from ethics are inferior. Reasons contrary to the *mores* are useless.

As has been stated concerning Group II, youth likewise is

searcher for causes and an anticipator of effects. Past memories and future expectations are the motives of action. It is during this period that the longing element begins its striving for hegemony over the entrenched fear element. Because the longing factor first shows itself during the days of early manhood and womanhood youth has been characterized "Idealistic". One may not over-estimate its importance. The loss of ideals in those who have grown older but not matured must not be forgotten.

As will become increasingly evident, very few individuals really mature. Their consciousness does not transcend the Simple-versus-Self stage. However, those who do establish the hegemony of the Self-over-Simple consciousness come to possess powers that are of the utmost value to life and happiness.

* * *

From the Chapter Known as
THE BEWILDERMENT OF GOD - PISCES

From *The Equinox*, 1910

Thou great blue river of ever-flowing Brightness, over whose breasts creep the star-bannered tresses of night!

O what art Thou, O God my God, Thou mighty worker laden with the dust of toil?

Thou great monster who infuriates the seas, and by their vigour wearest down the strength of the cliffs!

O Thou sightless seer of all things!

Thou spearless warrior who urgest on Thy steeds and blindest the outer edge of darkness with Thy Glory!

O what art Thou, O God my God, Thou almighty worker ungirded of slumber?

Thou one Lord of life triumphant over death, Thou red rose of love nailed to the cross of golden light!

Thou surging river of bewildering beauty who speedest as a blue arrow of fire beyond, beyond!

Thou soundless voice who, forever misunderstood, rollest on through the dark abysses of infinity!

Thou tongueless one who licketh up the dust of death and casteth it forth as the rolling ocean of life!

From METAPHYSICAL ASTROLOGY

by John Hazelrig

It will perhaps be interesting to note that the custom of ringing of noon church-bells originated in a papal edict propitiatory of the comet of 1456 which accompanied the invasion of Constantinople by Mahomet II, and the threatened dissociation of the whole Christian World. *Ave Marias* were also ordered, supplemented by the prayer: "Lord, save us from the devil, the Turk, and the comet."

In the 18th century Dr. Halley, in an examination of cometary data, identified this comet with the ones which appeared in 1531, 1607, and 1682 and thus establishing its period of revolution at about seventy-five years he was able to predict its return in 1758, the verification of which proved the correctness of his conjectures. The above periods all characterized by civil and political disturbances of great gravity, particularly around 1682, when its force was augmented by the precedence of another comet. These appearances were followed by those fearful domestic imbroglios in England which culminated in a ten year's civil war and the beheading of the king, supplemented by the Cromwellian reign.

Through the astrological law of precession, the vernal equinoctial point at the beginning of the Christian Era had retrograded from Taurus into Aries, the Ram of the Zodiac; hence, this animal, suspended from the Cross, became an object for sanctification, because the sun-god in his entry therein had completed his annual revolution and was then stationary at the intersection or cross-ification of the elliptic with the equator for the period of three days, after which he began his ascension into north declination. Subsequently the lamb was replaced by a human figure, perhaps as being more congruous to the purposes of allegory.

In this light the crucifixion of Christ upon the Cross is emblematical of a principle in the metaphysics of Being, as portrayed in the stellar science by an orbital point in the pathway of the Sun, of which the Nazarene was made the arche-type. It is also pertinent to add in this connection that the zodiacal sign Aries rules over Palestine, the locale of the crucifixion.

EFFA DANELSON SPEAKS

Reprinted from *The Occult Digest* June, 1934

Who gave Youth their inheritance--who depleted the inheritance of Youth and left only the whirlwind of wars for them to battle with? Those who utter unjust judgment upon Youth are condemning their own stewardship. Youth worked only with the tools left them by the probate judge--Father Time...

What a mess you have made of their inheritance!

Youth has a right to demand an accounting of your stewardship; it is their inheritance you are wasting--it is their world you are undermining. It is their children you are crippling--it is their lives you have chained to the hovel of your vicious scheming and your debauchery--political travesty has laid the field of human lives to waste. Billions of dollars you spend every year to ruin Youth with your liquor and tobacco traffic in the flesh and blood of your boys and girls.

Who gave Youth their inheritance--you and you and you, who are now raising your voices in loud lamentation against them--you and you and you....

But Youth will tear down your prisons, your asylums, your brothels, your poorhouses--Youth will be avenged and will build homes where little children can play, sing and be happy. Youth will call for an accounting of your stewardship; what then shall you answer him?

OCCULT LECTURES -- Miss Marie Harlowe, Speaker
Every Sunday, 8 p.m., 833 East 89 Place, Chicago
(Each monthly program given in advance)

March 2 Spiritual Oppositen to Psychism
9 The Faculty of Reading Past Lives
16 The Fool of the Tarot
23 The Ideological Revolution
30 Breath and Heart Rhythm Co-ordinated to
Universal Substance

PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

D. Jeannette Strong

There is, and seemingly always has been, conflicting ideas and theories regarding dreams.

For a number of years I have been a student of the occult, and from the beginning nearly all of the manifestations which come to me have been in the nature of astral journeys, dreams.

I have been told that dreams come in symbology, and with this I agree, for some of them undoubtedly do. However, the experience which I now relate was a direct, concise message, in which there was no symbology.

My mother had not been really well for a number of years, but at the particular time I now set forth, she was in comparatively good health, having just returned from a short visit to a neighboring state.

On one Sunday afternoon, feeling somewhat tired, I lay down to rest and dropped off into a light sleep.

Suddenly I dreamed I heard my telephone ring. I seemed to rise to answer it, and as I did so, I heard my father, who had been taken from us some three years before, say, "Hello." I could not mistake his voice, since he always had a most peculiar, almost barking way of speaking over the wire. Then, far off, as though the connection was from a far distant place, I heard a man's voice filled with tears, say to me:

"We are preparing the flowers for your mother's funeral."

Though I tried desperately to find out the identity of the speaker, the voice faded and the connection was broken. Then as I replaced the phone, I saw the numbers 3-5 before me.

Naturally this message worried me, and I immediately contacted my mother, who assured me that she was feeling exceptionally well; so two weeks passed, and my dream faded more or less from my mind. Then I received a call from my sister who told me that my mother had had a heart attack, and was in the hospital in a very critical condition.

After lingering for two weeks, she drifted away on Friday morning at 5 o'clock, which in my home in California would have been three o'clock. The last detail of my dream had been fulfilled.

BOOK REVIEWS

TRAINING THE DOG, by Will Judy

Judy Publishing Company, Chicago

\$1.50

Aside from being an excellent aid in training dogs, written so humorously that you do not need to have a dog to enjoy it. Its chapters on animal psychology should be read by all students of psychology, human or otherwise. A book that leaves you knowing something you didn't know before its reading. (Strongly recommended).

ALONG CIVILIZATION'S TRAIL, by Ralph M. ~~Spence~~ Lewis

The Rosicrucian Press, San Jose

\$2.25

Strange practices and customs of oriental and ancient worlds. if you like mysticism, adventure and travel, this book will gratify you. Interesting material on the Great Pyramid included.

THY KINGDOM COME, edited by DeWitt Lucas

Beacon Light Publishers, Atascadero

\$1.00

Decidedly not on a par with former publications of William Kullgren. Tinged with Roosevelt 'New Deal' 'democracy'. All the world is to be changed, but girls must be trained to be better housekeepers! The 'Lord' is coming right down out of the sky, in 11 years, in a blaze of glory--though no avatar ever comes in any way except by Natural Law which governs all in the universe. Jesus is to regain the world--with only a small fraction of the world ever having been Christian it is a bit vague what he is to 'regain' when he floats down from Heaven. Mediumistic drivel.

We will extend, to March 22, our offer of giving our Prediction (\$1.00) with each 3-year subscription, which amounts are being put in our Building Fund. Also, we will give, before the above date, any one of our 25 booklets, 'The End of the Jewish Race', 'The Woman Pope', or 'The Ostrich Philosophy', with any yearly renewal sent us. Seems like we are always begging for the maintenance of The Work, but we must remind you it is like the fellow whose wife was always asking for money. 'What does she do with it?' inquired a friend, to which the man replied, 'Don't know, I never give her any.' *Help! Help.*

BOOKLETS NOW READY

THE END OF THE JEWISH RACE
—Dates in Astrological prophecy, Jesus not a Jew, Hitler a karmic necessity, etc. 25c, 5 copies for -----\$1.00

THE WOMAN POPE, A Prophecy of the End of the Catholic Church. Price each -----25c

"THE OSTRICH PHILOSOPHY OF UTOPIAN IDEALISM." — The Dole-Relief occultly considered. The occult reason why a very large number of New Thought students "demonstrate" themselves down to relief rolls. Gives the Spiritual basis of Economics, without which all systems fail. Price -----25c

A SON OF THE SUN—By Kassmel. Transcribed by Marie Harlowe. A treatise on Sex Transmutation. Price \$1.00, 3 for -----\$2.00

THE 70, dynamic affirmations for health and prosperity. Price 50c each, 3 for \$1.00.

BUDDHIST BOOKS

THE MESSAGE OF BUDDHISM—
Subhadra Bhikkhu -----\$1.25

A BUDDHIST CATHECHISM—
Subhadra Bhikkhu -----\$1.00

HYMNS OF THE FAITH (Dhammapada) Albert J. Edmunds -----\$1.00

101 ZEN STORIES—Nyozen Senzaki and Paul Reps -----\$1.75

LESSON No. 5, "Comparative Religions"—Marie Harlowe -----\$1.00

Books by Paul Carus

THE GOSPEL OF BUDDHA
Paper, 50c, cloth -----\$1.00
Enlarged, deluxe -----\$3.00

THE BUDDHA (a drama)
Paper -----25c

KARMA, A story of Buddhist Ethics,
Paper -----15c

HOROSCOPES

To be useful to the individual in life, a horoscope must be interpreted correctly. Any astrologer can erect a chart; not so many can interpret them for the best advantage. We specialize in reading the chart from an occult standpoint. (Only a chart which measures the influence brought over by past lives is a complete horoscope.)

Send birthdate, hour and place, with fee.

Horoscope \$5.00 - Past Lives \$10.00 plus Horoscope fee.

Our charts are made as a service, at cost.

THE MAHA PUBLISHING COMPANY

833 East 89th Place

Chicago, Illinois

(Please do not send personal checks)

We will give a year's subscription to the writer of the best letter of **CONSTRUCTIVE** criticism each month telling what you like or do not like. Letters covering the February issue must reach us by March 1st.

THE OCCULT DIGEST

PROPHECY

**Why Will
Eleanor Roosevelt
Retire from Public Life?**

The YIH-KING, famous 5,000 year old book of Oriental Prophecy declares she will.

These and other definite facts of coming events given.

The yearly prophecy of

Marie Harlowe

extends this year into several years of world events—definite and to the point—no generalizations. (Typewritten.)

Order Your Copy Today

Price \$1.00

The Maha Publishing Co.

833 East 89th Place
Chicago, Illinois

GAZING CRYSTALS

Imported

Books, Trumpets, Ouija Board

2	inch Diameter	Each	\$2.00
2 1/2	"	"	"	2.50
3	"	"	"	3.50
3 1/2	"	"	"	4.50
4	"	"	"	6.50
5	"	"	"	10.50
6	"	"	"	16.00
Bakelite base, holds all sizes				.60
Concentration rug, 6x6 in.				.50
Glass Pedestal stand 3 in.				1.00
Glass Pyramid stand 2 in.				1.00
Ouija Boards, hardwood				1.75
Crystal Gazing Booklets				
15 pages				.50
3-piece aluminum Trumpets				3.00
3-piece fibre Trumpets				3.00
Mediumship Booklet				
31 pages				1.00
Astrology Course, 41 pages				1.00
Astro Forecast, 1940,				
complete, 35 pages				1.00

Outside U. S. A. add 25c

Send for free leaflet on the art of
Crystal Gazing.

Also list of books by Atkinson, Dumont,
Verner and others.

We pay postage on all above prices.

You pay all C. O. D. Fees.

No personal checks accepted.

J. M. SIMMONS & CO.

19 W. Jackson Blvd. - Chicago, Ill.

CLEARANCE SALE

Hundreds of books on all phases of Occultism—10% or more discount—let us know your wants.

Quantities at Greater Reduction
Stock Your Library at These Low
Prices

Give Book Gifts

The Occult Book Mart
THE OCCULT DIGEST

833 E. 89th Place

Chicago

Illinois

BACK NUMBER MAGAZINES

Including Psychology and Health magazines, The Occult Digest, Occult Review, Nautilus, Rosicrucian, Theosophy, Mercury, Kalpaka, Mind, New Liberator, etc. Package of assorted titles on a wide variety of fascinating topics. Value \$2.50 to \$3.00.....\$1.00

THE OCCULT BOOK MART

Read the

OCCULT DIGEST

Send it to libraries and friends

A. A. VOYZ

MAGUS

Have you read the BROOM?

Edited by *C. Leon de Aryan*, a student of the Ancient Wisdom. The BROOM sweeps away superstition, fear and slavery. Tells the truth about timely events.

Write for free sample copy to
THE BROOM

East San Diego

California

EMBLEMATIC ASTROLOGY

A new book by *A. A. Voyz*.

A philosophy of life symbolized by the signs of the Zodiac, Mundane Houses and Major Aspects.

THE

GREAT WORK EPITOMIZED.

60c by Mail.

New Aeon Press % Occult Digest.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

7c per word, 3 insertions for the price of 2. Minimum charge \$1.00.

Cash with order—please do not send personal checks.

PUBLICATIONS

FREE: 48-PAGE DESCRIPTIVE CATALOG of important books for progressive people. Contains reviews of books on Astrology, Occultism, Pyramid Prophecy, Mediumship, Symbolism, Psychology, Magic, Hypnotism, Self-Help, Vocational-Guidance, Advertising, Craft Work for Boys and Girls, Building Trailers, Making and Flying Airplanes, Stock-Market Instruction, Pet Books, Starting a Small Business, and hundreds of other interesting and practical subjects. Send 3c stamp for this first section of our descriptive Catalog No. 3, to Llewellyn Publications, Ltd., 8921 OD National Blvd., Los Angeles, (Palms), California, U.S.A.

SESAMUMS, MYSTICAL — OCCULT Magazine specializing in Astrological Research. Neatly mimeographed; 4th year of publication. \$1.50 per year, 15c single copies. Editor, Harold Edwin Brandenburg, Room 817, 15 Park Row, New York City.

NUMEROLOGY

LILA L. SCHULTZ GIVES SCIENTIFIC advice on personal subjects. Send name and birth data and \$1.00. Birnamwood, Wis.

YOUR PROBLEMS SOLVED BY THE principles of Numerology. Write Box 290. Mansfield, Ohio.

SCHOOLS

STUDY FOR DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY, Metaphysics, Theology. Home Study. Free information. College of Universal Truth, 20 E. Jackson, Desk 16, Chicago, Ill.

METAPHYSICIANS

JOSEPH H. SANTNER WILL HELP you solve your problems. Send \$1.00. 1941 So. 72nd St., West Allis, Wis.

PSYCHIC

HAZEL BROWNE - SPIRITUAL PSYCHIC. Readings \$1.00. Address 1068 12th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

BOOKS

CHARACTEROLOGY—SCIENTIFIC CHARACTER READING SIMPLIFIED. by L. Hamilton McCormick, Internationally recognized authority of this subject. 15 lessons bound separately for study. Illustrated—over 500 pages. To close out stock, reduced from \$3.00 to \$1.50 postpaid. Only a few sets left. The Occult Book Mart.

DIVINATION

- A New Lesson (printed) by Marie Harlowe
- Chapter 1 Divination by Cards, including the Astronomical Tarot
- Chapter 2 Divination by Tea Leaves, including the (progressed) Horoscope in the Zodiac in the cup
- Chapter 3 Symbology

(Personal Instruction in these subjects \$5.00 per Lesson)

Limited Edition -- Order Today

Price \$1.00

THE OCCULT DIGEST

OCCULT LESSONS

Based on the Class Teachings of Marie Harlowe

Students who have these lessons declare them to be **different**. They are prepared in the language of the new age, using no antiquated terms of Oriental countries, etc. In a sense, the lesson titles are deceptive to the superficial student of metaphysics in that they do not reveal the depth and profundity of the lessons.

Truth cannot be sold, neither can the student benefit by what is given him free. The prices of these courses do not apply to their Truth, but to the labor of their preparation and the general maintenance of The Work which offers them.

I. BASIC COURSE, 21 Lessons.....\$10.00

1. Fundamentals, 7 Lessons. Spiritual Science, Thought Power, Karma, Re-Incarnation, Astral World, Foods and Spirituality, Initiation.

2. Elementary, 7 Lessons. Twelve Centers of Consciousness.

3. Intermediate, 7 Lessons. Eternal Life, Desire, Form, Light, Soundless Sound, Meditation, Personal Atmosphere.

II. SCIENTIFIC METAPHYSICS, 36 Lessons.....\$50.00

The Ineffable Name, The Science of Motion and Number, Vibratory Power of Words, Esoteric Numerology, Musical Healing, The Soundless Sound, "The Light that Lighteth Every Man," Esoteric Colors, Form, Healing, The Breath of Life, Nine Disciplines of the Soul.

Force, the First Cause; "The Phenomena of Life," The Electric Principle of Life—Marie Corelli, The Force of Mind, Eternal Substance, Philosophy of Mathematics, The Will, Perception-Sensation, The Physical Basis of the Soul, Alchemy—Gods in Exile, Light, Function and Beneficent Aspect of Pain and Evil.

What Magic Is, Magic in History, Magic in Various Countries, Religious Magic, The Kabala, Alchemy, Divination by Cards, Phallic or Sexual Worship, Black Magic, White Magic, Initiation.

III. BREATHING METHODS SUITABLE TO WESTERN VEHICLES, 21 Lessons (Lesson 2 contains 7 parts)\$50.00

IV. HEALING CLASS, 5 Lessons.....\$5.00

Vibratory Power of Spiritual Healing, Correspondence—mental cause and cure of disease. Musical Healing, Planetary Influence in Healing, Vegetarianism in Healing.

V. ESOTERIC FREEMASONRY, 5 Lessons.....\$5.00

VI. COMPARATIVE RELIGIONS, 9 Lessons.....\$5.00 (Lessons in ESOTERIC ASTROLOGY now in preparation.)

THE MAHA PUBLISHING CO.

833 East 39th Place

Chicago, Illinois

(Please do not send personal checks)



THOUGHTS HAVE WINGS

*You Can Influence Others
With Your Thinking!*

TRY it some time. Concentrate intently upon another person seated in a room with you, without his noticing it. Observe him gradually become restless and finally turn and look in your direction. Simple—yet it is a *positive demonstration* that thought generates a mental energy which can be projected from your mind to the consciousness of another. Do you realize how much of your success and happiness in life depend upon your influencing others? Is it not important to you to have others understand your point of view—to be receptive to your proposals?

Demonstrable Facts

How many times have you wished there were some way you could impress another favorably—*get across to him or her your ideas?* That thoughts can be transmitted, received, and understood by others is now scientifically demonstrable. The tales of miraculous accomplishments of mind by the ancients are now known to be fact—not fable. The method whereby these things can be *intentionally*, not accidentally, accomplished has been a secret long cherished by the Rosicrucians—one of

the schools of ancient wisdom existing throughout the world. To thousands everywhere, for centuries, the Rosicrucians have privately taught this nearly-lost art of the practical use of mind power.

This Free Book Points Out the Way

The Rosicrucians (not a religious organization) invite you to explore the powers of your mind. Their sensible, simple suggestions have caused intelligent men and women to soar to new heights of accomplishment. *They will show you how to use your natural forces and talents to do things you now think are beyond your ability.* Send for a copy of the fascinating sealed *free* book, "The Secret Heritage," which explains how you may receive this unique wisdom and benefit by its application to your daily affairs. Address your request to: Scribe: A. Y. H.

The Rosicrucians (A M O R C)

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, U. S. A.

